

S 1132

Treatment of Children's Deformities Act of 2005

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Coleman, Norm [R-MN]

Party: Republican • **State:** MN • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Bayh, Evan [D-IN]	D · IN		May 26, 2005
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	R · MS		May 26, 2005
Sen. DeWine, Mike [R-OH]	R · OH		May 26, 2005
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		May 26, 2005
Sen. Smith, Gordon H. [R-OR]	R · OR		May 26, 2005
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	R · ME		May 26, 2005
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		May 26, 2005
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Jun 21, 2005
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jun 23, 2005
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Sep 15, 2005
Sen. Lugar, Richard G. [R-IN]	R · IN		Nov 1, 2005
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Apr 24, 2006
Sen. Dayton, Mark [D-MN]	D · MN		May 18, 2006
Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	R · PA		Sep 21, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 26, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 1000	Related bill	Apr 18, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.

Summary (as of May 26, 2005)

Treatment of Children's Deformities Act of 2005 - Amends the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and the Internal Revenue Code to require a group health plan, and a health issuer offering group health insurance coverage, that cover surgical benefits to also cover outpatient and inpatient diagnosis and treatment of a child's congenital or developmental deformity, disease, or injury. Requires that such coverage: (1) be subject to pre-authorization or pre-certification requirements of the plan or issuer; and (2) include any surgical treatment deemed by the treating physician to be medically necessary to approximate a normal appearance. Defines "treatment" to include reconstructive surgical procedures that are performed on abnormal structures of the body caused by congenital defects, abnormalities, trauma, infection, tumors, or disease, including: (1) procedures that do not materially affect the function of the body part being treated; and (2) procedures for secondary conditions and follow-up treatment. Excludes cosmetic surgery performed to reshape normal structures of the body to improve appearance or self-esteem.

Actions Timeline

- **May 26, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 26, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6028)
- **May 26, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S6028-6029)